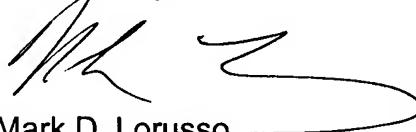


Remarks

Pending claims 1-15 have been deemed directed to two patentably distinct inventions. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicant elects without traverse Invention I. Currently pending claims 1-14 read on the invention. Claim 15 is canceled without prejudice.

The claims are considered to define patentably over the prior art. Consideration is requested and favorable action is solicited.

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